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Missouri Labor Market Review

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Unemployment in Missouri fell again in April, but the drop was smaller than the usual seasonal decline. The number of jobless Missourians fell by about 5600 between March and April, as the unemployment rate decreased by four-tenths of a point to 6.0 percent. The March-to-April decrease is usually the largest one of the year, with an average drop in the unemployment rate of about six-tenths of a percentage point. A temporary layoff in the automobile industry kept unemployment from dropping as much as it otherwise would have.

Total employment grew by about 42,400 in April, which is in line with the usual seasonal increase. The new total of employed residents of 2,424,700 represents a gain of 62,300 from the year-earlier level. Joblessness edged up slightly over the year, however. The rate increased two-tenths of a point from March 1986, and the numberr of unemployed residents grew by 9500.

Nonfarm payroll employment increased by 20,500 jobs in April, primarily on the strength of seasonal gains in retail trade (8400), services (7100), and construction (5000). Other nonmanufacturing industries experiencing growth i cluded finance, insurance, and real estate (1700); government (1700); and transportation, communications, and utilities (800). Manufacturing employment was down by 4100 jobs in April, the drop being accounted for by a temporary layoff in the automobile industry. On balance, the other manufacturing industries broke even, with small gains in some industries being offset by small declines in others.

Compared to a year ago, the number of manufacturing jobs is down by 17,600, three-fourths of them in the automobile industry. The remaining manufacturing industries showed considerable divergence, with printing and publishing, fabricated metal products, nonelectrical machinery, and electrical and electronic equipment each experiencing drops of more than 1000 jobs. Some other industries have begun to show recovery, notably food and kindred products, which has increased by 1600 jobs, and textile and apparel, up by 1400 jobs. A number of other industries have experienced smaller gains.

Nonmanufacturing industries grew by 34,100 jobs over the past 12 months. Slightly more than half the increase (17,800) was in the service industries. State and local government employment was up 7400 jobs and finance, insurance, and real estate by 6500.

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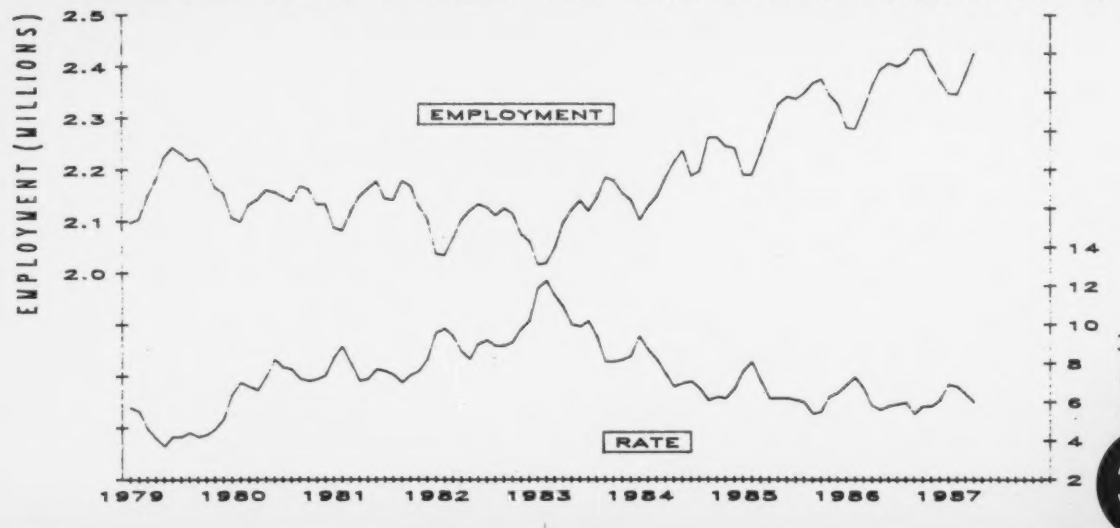
MISSOURI TOTAL EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT RATE



EMPLOYMENT SECURITY - A Division of the Missouri Department of Labor and Industrial Relations

Table 1

MISSOURI DIVISION OF EMPLOYMENT SECURITY

CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE, EMPLOYMENT, UNEMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT RATES - ESTIMATES

COUNTY/LABOR MARKET AREA	CURRENT MONTH - APR 1987 (PRELIMINARY)				PREVIOUS MONTH - MAR 1987 (REVISED)				ONE YEAR AGO - APR 1986 (BENCHMARKED 1986)			
	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE
STATEWIDE	2580788	2424708	156080	6.0	2544018	2382335	161683	6.4	2508936	2362360	146576	5.8
ST. LOUIS MSA	1251563	1159509	92054	7.4	1240715	1152642	88073	7.1	1223772	1143361	80411	6.6
KANSAS CITY MSA	815843	777236	38607	4.7	813298	770720	42578	5.2	789144	752204	36940	4.7
SPRINGFIELD MSA	120295	114872	5423	4.5	118166	112565	5601	4.7	115493	109868	5625	4.9
COLUMBIA MSA	66908	64955	1953	2.9	65294	63176	2118	3.2	62949	61157	1792	2.8
JOPLIN MSA	69133	65606	3527	5.1	68294	64592	3702	5.4	66125	62616	3509	5.3
ST. JOSEPH MSA	41372	38204	3168	7.7	40834	37640	3194	7.8	41512	38324	3188	7.7
ADAIR/SCHUYLER LMA	13886	13223	663	4.8	13689	12872	817	6.0	13504	12789	715	5.3
ANDREW	7162	6722	440	6.1	6689	6199	490	7.3	6715	6337	378	5.6
ATCHISON	3188	3070	118	3.7	3054	2934	120	3.9	3331	3188	143	4.3
AUDRAIN	10920	10211	709	6.5	10821	10031	790	7.3	10823	10108	715	6.6
BARRY	12268	11648	620	5.1	12201	11484	717	5.9	11837	11267	570	4.8
BARTON	5333	5144	189	3.5	5171	4985	186	3.6	5207	5023	184	3.5
BATES	6493	5976	517	8.0	6176	5628	548	8.9	6287	5860	427	6.8
BENTON	5755	5353	402	7.0	5512	4980	532	9.7	5559	5166	393	7.1
BOLLINGER	3053	2762	291	9.5	3043	2717	326	10.7	3450	3047	403	11.7
BUTLER	16799	15332	1467	8.7	16615	15005	1610	9.7	16689	15055	1634	9.8
CALDWELL	3476	3287	189	5.4	3377	3176	201	6.0	3438	3246	192	5.6
CALLAWAY	16928	16067	861	5.1	16610	15717	893	5.4	15629	14751	878	5.6
CAMDEN	13791	13043	748	5.4	12895	11833	1062	8.2	13561	12769	792	5.8
CAPE GIRARDEAU	34829	33426	1403	4.0	33879	32461	1418	4.2	33149	31710	1439	4.3
CARROLL	5061	4738	323	6.4	4824	4547	277	5.7	5061	4761	300	5.9
CARTER	2210	1970	240	10.9	2079	1809	270	13.0	2123	1803	320	15.1
CEDAR	4990	4742	248	5.0	4847	4584	263	5.4	4912	4668	244	5.0
CHARITON	4513	4305	208	4.6	4378	4169	209	4.8	4495	4232	263	5.9
CLARK	3807	3575	232	6.1	3687	3415	272	7.4	3911	3610	301	7.7
CLINTON	7681	7276	405	5.3	7582	7104	478	6.3	7142	6759	383	5.4
COLE/OSAGE LMA	41418	39697	1721	4.2	41177	39393	1784	4.3	39586	37812	1774	4.5
COOPER	6844	6439	405	5.9	6683	6242	441	6.6	6988	6621	367	5.3
CRAWFORD	8357	7733	624	7.5	8163	7466	697	8.5	7747	7120	627	8.1
DADE	3048	2915	133	4.4	2972	2823	149	5.0	3043	2880	163	5.4
DALLAS	3858	3543	315	8.2	3674	3347	327	8.9	3845	3511	334	8.7
DAVIESS	4253	4078	175	4.1	4141	3957	184	4.4	3914	3756	158	4.0
DEKALB	3795	3531	264	7.0	3569	3331	238	6.7	3770	3569	201	5.3
DENT	5589	5093	496	8.9	5462	4880	582	10.7	5584	5103	481	8.6
DOUGLAS	4674	4362	312	6.7	4490	4097	393	8.8	4734	4304	430	9.1
DUNKLIN	14114	12934	1180	8.4	13843	12646	1197	8.6	14050	12670	1380	9.8
GASCONADE	6814	6390	424	6.2	6534	6078	456	7.0	6920	6537	383	5.5
GENTRY	3415	3162	253	7.4	3298	3029	269	8.2	3321	3170	151	4.5
GRUNDY	5405	5114	291	5.4	5316	5007	309	5.8	5224	4889	335	6.4
HARRISON	4846	4599	247	5.1	4594	4327	267	5.8	4928	4636	292	5.9
HENRY	8431	7701	730	8.7	8192	7468	724	8.8	8498	7903	595	7.0
HICKORY	2599	2436	163	6.3	2373	2202	171	7.2	2598	2432	166	6.4
HOLT	2743	2601	142	5.2	2583	2439	144	5.6	2602	2493	109	4.2
HOWARD	4840	4587	253	5.2	4785	4530	255	5.3	4739	4522	217	4.6
HOWELL	13483	12532	951	7.1	13350	12173	1177	8.8	13040	11878	1162	8.9
IRON	2634	2274	360	13.7	2679	2277	402	15.0	3226	2765	461	14.3
JOHNSON	18078	17422	656	3.6	17967	17144	823	4.6	17531	16909	622	3.5
KNOX	2079	1946	133	6.4	1950	1815	135	6.9	2092	1935	157	7.5
LACLEDE	13675	12951	724	5.3	13329	12493	836	6.3	12682	11855	827	6.5
LAWRENCE	13421	12443	978	7.3	13039	12122	917	7.0	13114	12276	838	6.4

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	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE
LEWIS	4704	4273	431	9.2	4636	4128	508	11.0	5001	4502	499	10.0
LINCOLN	11196	10472	724	6.5	11002	10220	782	7.1	11064	10417	647	5.8
LINN	6584	6206	378	5.7	6467	6031	436	6.7	6659	6266	393	5.9
LIVINGSTON	6707	6291	416	6.2	6439	6030	409	6.4	6493	6155	338	5.2
MACON	9050	8526	524	5.8	8579	7945	634	7.4	8582	8064	518	6.0
MADISON	4167	3834	333	8.0	4131	3798	333	8.1	4283	3853	430	10.0
MARIES	4465	4143	322	7.2	4363	4031	332	7.6	4161	3866	295	7.1
MARION/RALLS LMA	17309	15919	1390	8.0	16822	15252	1570	9.3	17652	16204	1448	8.2
MCDONALD	7375	6975	400	5.4	7099	6649	450	6.3	7313	6927	386	5.3
MERCER	1751	1660	91	5.2	1702	1576	126	7.4	1717	1606	111	6.5
MILLER	9965	9027	938	9.4	9683	8515	1168	12.1	9652	8790	862	8.9
MISSISSIPPI	6237	5774	463	7.4	6051	5495	556	9.2	6152	5543	609	9.9
MONITEAU	5995	5684	311	5.2	5937	5544	393	6.6	6236	5858	378	6.1
MONROE	5722	5427	295	5.2	5460	5199	261	4.8	5109	4854	255	5.0
MONTGOMERY	5045	4696	349	6.9	4911	4602	309	6.3	5094	4711	383	7.5
MORGAN	7736	7228	508	6.6	7236	6594	642	8.9	7300	6807	493	6.8
NEW MADRID	9405	8768	637	6.8	9391	8611	780	8.3	9500	8607	893	9.4
NODAWAY	11080	10721	359	3.2	10653	10301	352	3.3	10470	10101	369	3.5
OREGON	4200	3888	312	7.4	4111	3787	324	7.9	3982	3636	346	8.7
OZARK	3620	3359	261	7.2	3537	3196	341	9.6	3602	3364	238	6.6
PEMISCOT	8870	8156	714	8.0	8723	7927	796	9.1	8876	8046	830	9.4
PERRY	7924	7509	415	5.2	7791	7350	441	5.7	7867	7391	476	6.1
PETTIS	18431	17349	1082	5.9	17886	16804	1082	6.0	18706	17347	1359	7.3
PHELPS	16776	15948	828	4.9	16674	15757	917	5.5	16130	15285	845	5.2
PIKE	7828	7279	549	7.0	7382	6784	598	8.1	7626	6974	652	8.5
POLK	9585	9116	469	4.9	9356	8897	459	4.9	9175	8623	552	6.0
PULASKI	11997	11336	661	5.5	11710	11031	679	5.8	12280	11579	701	5.7
PUTNAM	2404	2271	133	5.5	2289	2135	154	6.7	2310	2199	111	4.8
RANDOLPH	11669	11016	653	5.6	11407	10654	753	6.6	11704	10667	1037	8.9
REYNOLDS	1741	1376	365	21.0	1698	1296	402	23.7	1767	1438	329	18.6
RIPLEY	4765	4344	421	8.8	4777	4253	524	11.0	4554	4099	455	10.0
SALINE	11219	10691	528	4.7	10979	10404	575	5.2	11710	11140	570	4.9
SCOTLAND	2424	2306	118	4.9	2327	2193	134	5.8	2317	2206	111	4.8
SCOTT	17996	16781	1215	6.8	17684	16347	1337	7.6	17247	15896	1351	7.8
SHANNON	2421	2072	349	14.4	2432	1991	441	18.1	2812	2359	453	16.1
SHELBY	3693	3570	123	3.3	3458	3306	152	4.4	3488	3376	112	3.2
ST. CLAIR	3712	3491	221	6.0	3477	3231	246	7.1	3599	3410	189	5.3
ST. FRANCOIS	20315	18632	1683	8.3	19621	17965	1656	8.4	18335	16929	1406	7.7
STE. GENEVIEVE	6960	6541	419	6.0	6901	6337	564	8.2	6775	6279	496	7.3
STODDARD	12597	11510	1087	8.6	12940	11656	1284	9.9	12897	11628	1269	9.8
STONE	8583	7739	844	9.8	7681	6262	1419	18.5	8070	7089	981	12.2
SULLIVAN	3643	3483	160	4.4	3604	3446	158	4.4	3531	3362	169	4.8
TANEY	14232	13030	1202	8.4	13332	11292	2040	15.3	14372	13078	1294	9.0
TEXAS	9284	8592	692	7.5	9422	8417	1005	10.7	9584	8390	1194	12.5
VERNON	9312	8869	443	4.8	9036	8561	475	5.3	8990	8535	455	5.1
WARREN	9941	9099	842	8.5	9601	9045	556	5.8	9400	8913	487	5.2
WASHINGTON	6069	4894	1175	19.4	6129	4883	1246	20.3	6316	5532	784	12.4
WAYNE	4505	4086	419	9.3	4423	3902	521	11.8	4641	3996	645	13.9
WEBSTER	9110	8309	801	8.8	9087	8231	856	9.4	9372	8445	927	9.9
WORTH	1206	1124	82	6.8	1143	1066	77	6.7	1224	1181	43	3.5
WRIGHT	6567	6101	466	7.1	6569	5962	607	9.2	6937	6113	824	11.9

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Table 2. Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment, Hours and Earnings
Missouri (Statewide)
April, 1987

Industry Title	All Employees (In Thousands)			Production Workers: Average Weekly Earnings			Production Workers: Average Weekly Hours			Production Workers: Average Hourly Earnings		
	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago
Total Non-Agri. Employment	2146.0	2125.5	2129.5									
Total Manufacturing	408.0	412.1	425.6	387.29	392.22	397.76	39.6	39.9	40.3	9.78	9.83	9.87
Durable Goods	225.3	229.7	242.9	431.26	435.83	446.61	40.8	41.0	41.7	10.57	10.63	10.71
Lumber & Wood Products	10.7	10.4	10.0	253.63	267.60	259.43	38.9	40.0	40.6	6.52	6.69	6.39
Furniture & Fixtures	10.6	10.6	10.2	345.43	344.54	312.17	44.4	44.4	42.3	7.78	7.76	7.38
Stone, Clay & Glass Prod.	10.7	10.7	11.1	523.87	488.81	472.16	45.2	43.8	43.8	11.59	11.16	10.78
Cement, Hydraulic	1.0	1.0	1.0	567.55	631.88	526.50	38.9	38.1	38.6	14.59	13.96	13.64
Structural Clay Prod.	2.1	2.0	1.9	462.96	535.43	533.25	37.7	42.8	42.9	12.28	12.51	12.43
Primary Metal Industries	12.3	12.5	13.0	437.34	453.70	455.22	39.4	41.7	40.9	11.10	10.88	11.13
Iron & Steel Foundries	1.2	1.3	1.5	406.28	412.37	383.91	41.5	42.6	40.2	9.79	9.68	9.55
Nonferrous Foundries	3.5	3.6	3.4	345.62	350.22	326.81	42.2	42.4	40.8	8.19	8.26	8.01
Fabricated Metal Products	27.8	27.8	28.9	431.28	423.33	407.41	42.2	41.3	40.7	10.22	10.25	10.01
Structural Metal Prod.	10.6	10.7	11.4	416.49	405.20	396.62	41.9	40.0	41.1	9.94	10.13	9.65
Machinery Exc. Electrical	29.2	29.2	31.1	403.20	409.66	423.43	40.0	40.4	41.8	10.08	10.14	10.13
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	46.1	46.2	47.5	375.93	380.80	375.14	39.2	40.0	40.6	9.59	9.52	9.24
Transportation Equipment	59.1	63.7	72.7	593.33	584.81	607.60	42.2	41.3	43.4	14.06	14.16	14.00
Motor Vehicles & Equip.	23.4	27.5	36.9	629.09	610.00	637.14	43.0	41.3	44.4	14.63	14.77	14.35
Instruments & Related Prod.	11.3	11.3	11.4	296.21	317.98	311.65	37.4	39.5	39.6	7.92	8.05	7.87
Misc. Mfg. Inds.	7.5	7.3	7.0	253.55	251.94	260.02	38.3	38.0	39.1	6.62	6.63	6.65
Nondurable Goods	182.7	182.4	182.7	334.63	338.91	332.54	38.2	38.6	38.4	8.76	8.78	8.66
Food & Kindred Products	47.3	47.2	45.7	383.94	393.41	387.06	39.5	40.6	40.7	9.72	9.69	9.51
Meat Products & Preserved Fruits & Vegetables	13.4	13.5	12.6	295.00	314.61	290.48	40.3	42.4	42.4	7.32	7.42	7.19
Dairy Products	5.8	5.9	6.2	451.62	447.63	415.54	43.3	43.0	40.9	10.43	10.41	10.16
Grain Mill Products	7.0	7.1	7.0	371.99	397.49	412.49	35.7	38.6	40.8	10.42	10.29	10.11
Bakery Products	6.4	6.3	5.7	416.87	409.77	402.20	40.2	39.1	40.1	10.37	10.48	10.03
Beverages	10.1	10.0	9.7	550.13	549.00	550.50	36.7	36.6	37.5	14.99	15.00	14.68

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	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago
Other Food & Kindred Prods.	4.6	4.4	4.5	386.81	373.27	403.49	42.6	41.8	46.7	9.08	8.93	8.64
Textile & Apparel	25.5	24.9	24.1	200.91	200.45	200.29	34.7	34.8	35.2	5.79	5.76	5.69
Paper & Allied Products	13.7	13.7	13.4	395.60	413.69	390.31	40.0	42.3	40.7	9.89	9.78	9.59
Paperboard Cont. & Boxes	6.4	6.4	6.7	409.88	437.80	402.69	43.1	44.0	41.6	9.51	9.95	9.68
Printing & Publishing	38.5	38.6	40.5	386.58	386.20	380.44	37.9	37.9	38.9	10.20	10.19	9.78
Commercial Printing	13.6	13.3	13.4	459.72	449.60	443.50	40.9	40.0	40.8	11.24	11.24	10.87
Chemicals & Allied	28.1	28.2	28.3	459.82	464.21	438.34	40.8	41.3	40.4	11.27	11.24	10.85
Leather & Leather Products	16.0	16.3	16.9	193.25	183.58	178.47	35.2	33.5	31.7	5.49	5.48	5.63
Footwear Exc. Rubber	12.4	12.7	13.5	179.92	172.59	170.59	34.6	33.0	31.3	5.20	5.23	5.45
Total Nonmanufacturing	1738.0	1713.4	1703.9									
Mining	5.3	5.4	6.0									
Construction	97.9	92.9	98.1									
Transportation & Public Util.	141.7	140.9	139.6									
Railroad Transportation	9.8	9.8	10.7									
Transportation (Exc. R.R.)	76.5	75.5	73.7									
Communications	55.4	55.6	55.2									
Wholesale & Retail Trade	502.7	494.3	504.6									
Wholesale Trade	122.8	122.8	127.1									
Retail Trade	379.9	371.5	377.5									
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	133.8	132.1	127.3									
Services	502.0	494.9	484.2									
Government	354.6	352.9	345.1									
Federal Government	74.3	73.3	72.2									
State & Local Government	0	0	0									

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The factory workweek decreased by another three-tenths of an hour in April, dropping to 39.6 hours. This decrease paralleled national movements which were attributed to Good Friday and Passover observances occurring in the reference week. Average hourly earnings were down by 5 cents to $9.78, while weekly earnings averaged $387.20, nearly $5 below the March level. Average hours and earnings are also below the April 1986 levels.

National Economic and Labor Market Conditions

The national seasonally-adjusted unemployment rate fell three-tenths of a percentage point in April, the largest drop in three years. The civilian rate is now at 6.3 percent, the lowest it has been since early 1980.

Employment increased in the month, seasonally adjusted civilian employment growing by 470,000 and nonfarm payroll employment by 315,000. Each measure has increased by over 2-1/2 million in the past year. Although most jobs growth continues to be in the service-producing industries, small gains have begun to appear in a number of manufacturing industries. Layoffs in the automobile industry have offset these increases, however.

Outlook

Some additional decrease in unemployment and increase in employment usually takes place in May, before the summer increase in unemployment begins in June.

The government's index of leading economic indicators fell by 0.6 percent in April, the largest drop in two years. The degree of the decline was probably exaggeraged by the sharp drop in the factory workweek resulting from religious observances in the reference week. However, the economy's performance will probably not be as strong in the second quarter as in the first, when inventory investment was unusually high. Nonmanufacturing industries should continue to enjoy relatively strong jobs growth, and some manufacturing industries have begun to experience small increases in employment. The automobile industry is likely to remain weak, however.

Table 3. Selected Economic Statistics Related To Manpower Developments Missouri — April, 1987

Item	Current Mo. (Preliminary)	1 Mo. Ago (Revised)	1Yr. Ago (Revised)	Net Change To Current Month From:	
				1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
Total Civilian Labor Force (No. of Workers)	2,580,800	2,544,000	2,508,900	36,800	71,900
Total Employed	2,424,700	2,382,300	2,362,400	42,400	62,300
Total Unemployed	156,100	161,700	146,600	-5,600	9,500
Unemployment Rate (% of CLF)	6.0	6.4	5.8	-0.4	0.2
Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment					
Except Domestics (No. of Jobs)	2,145,900	2,125,600	2,129,700	20,300	16,200
Manufacturing	408,000	412,100	425,600	-4,100	-17,600
Durable Goods	225,300	229,700	242,900	-4,400	-17,600
Nondurable Goods	182,700	182,400	182,700	300	0
Nonmanufacturing	1,737,800	1,713,400	1,704,000	24,400	33,800
State Initial Claims (Wkly Avg.)	7,589	6,663	7,770	926	-181
State Insured Unemployment (Wkly Avg.)	54,409	55,634	49,060	-1,225	5,349
Insured Unemployment Rate	2.6	2.8	2.3	-0.2	0.3
Exhaustions (State U.I.)	4,252	3,511	4,167	741	85
Amount of Benefits Paid	$22,880,122	$23,990,119	$19,059,977	-$1,209,997	$3,920,145
State U.I.	22,533,347	23,642,662	18,765,177	-1,209,315	3,768,170
UCFE	157,154	165,062	138,626	-7,908	18,528
UCX	189,621	182,395	156,174	7,226	33,447

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Kansas City Labor Market Review

The Kansas City Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) includes Jackson, Cass, Clay, Lafayette, Platte and Ray counties in Missouri and Johnson, Wyandotte, Leavenworth and Miami counties in Kansas. The 1980 population for the MSA has been published at 1,433,458 persons by the U.S. Bureau of the Census.

April, 1987

Franciena King, Analyst

The Kansas City Area's unemployment rate was 4.7 per cent of the labor force in April 1987, down by 0.5 per cent from the 5.2 per cent reached in March 1987 and unchanged from the rate a year ago in April 1986. The Area's number of jobless workers was down by 4,000, primarily as a result of the return to work of the several thousand automobile assembly workers who were on layoff in March. At 38,600 the April 1987 level of jobless was the lowest since December 1986; however that level showed 1,700 more jobless than in April 1986. With 777,200 civilian employed, the Area recorded its all time highest level of civilian employment. This level broke the previous record of 771,400 attained in October and November of 1986. The number of persons in the civilian labor force, up to 815,800, also surpassed the previous all time high reached in March 1987 by 2,500 persons. The number of nonagricultural payroll jobs at 718,200, showed gains over-the-month of 3,900 and over-the-year of 4,100, mainly in the Nonmanufacturing industies, particularly those with a seasonal component.

Wage and salaried employment in April 1987 was 718,200, up by 3,900 jobs from the March 1987 total of 714,300. Those industries with a strong seasonal component - Services, Construction and Retail Trade - continued to post the largest over-the-month. The Services industry with 1,500 jobs had the largest gain. Recreation, agricultural and business services contributed the bulk of these increases. Retail Trade added 1,300 new jobs. Almost every industry within the sector recorded increases, although eating and drinking establishments alone accounted for one-fourth of the gain. Other sectors showing modest increases were Transportation, Communications and Utilities and Government. Overall the Nonmanufacturing sector showed a net gain of 4,300 jobs. The Manufacturing sector lost 400 jobs over-the-month, mainly in Durable Goods Manufacturing. Although most industries within the Manufacturing sector were virtually unchanged over-the-month, employment in the Electronics Equipment industry continued to fall slightly as a result of job losses in communications and electronic equipment.

Wage and salaried employment increased from 714,100 to 718,200 jobs from April 1986 to April 1987, for a total of 4,100 jobs. Durable Goods Manufacturing fell by 5,100 jobs, while Nondurable Goods Manufacturing increased by 200 and Nonmanufacturing jobs increased by 9,200 jobs over-the-year. The most notable losses in Manufacturing occurred in Electronic and Electrical Equipment and Motor Vehicles and Equipment. Electronic and Electrical Equipment lost 2,700 jobs over-the-year with approximately two thirds of that loss in communications and a third in electronic in electronic components. Motor Vehicles and Equipment in April 1987 stood at 13,000 jobs, compared to 15,400 in April 1986. These recent layoffs accounted for 2,400 fewer jobs. Within the Nondurable Goods Manufacturing sector, the Printing and Publishing industry recorded a modest decline, while Chemical Products and Paper and Allied Products posted moderate increases, for an overall gain of 200 jobs.

Within the Nonmanufacturing sector, most industries showed gains in April 1987 compared to April 1986 totals. The Services industry led with an increase of 3,400. Close to half of these gains were recorded in business services and the remaining increases were scattered across legal, personal, health and recreation services. Government ranked second in greatest number of jobs gained. More than half of the total over-the-year increase of 1,500 jobs occurred in Federal Government. Within State and Local Government, local schools gained 2,200 while municipal government and state hospitals lost 900, for an overall increase of 1,100 jobs. Gains in real estate, securities, credit agencies and insurance accounted for 1,700 more jobs in Finance, Insurance and Real Estate in April 1987 than in April 1986. Despite somewhat fewer jobs in eating and drinking establishments, Retail Trade, buoyed by increases in department and non-store retailers, recorded 1,200 more jobs over the 12-month period. Construction also posted 900 more jobs, primarily in special trade contractors.

The only recorded losses in the Nonmanufacturing sector occurred in Transportation, Communications and Utilities, primarily railroads, and Wholesale Trade.

Total unemployment on a place-of-residence basis was 38,600 in April 1987 for 4.7 per cent of the labor force, compared to 42,600 in March 1987 for 5.2 per cent of the labor force and 36,900 in April 1986 for 4.7 per cent of the labor force.

Employment and Unemployment Forecast

Labor market conditions will be mixed in May 1987. The unemployment rate will rise close to five per cent of the labor force over-the-month. Reports of an expected layoff of close to 4,000 to 5,000 auto assembly workers as one Area automobile assembly plant shuts down in preparation for the move to a new plant and the indefinite layoff of about 700 others from another plant will cause a substantial rise in the Area's number of unemployed workers. The month will also see a sharp rise in the number of persons in the civilian labor force by as many as 5,000 to 6,000, as many students and summer job seekers enter the labor force. Many of these will find work in the seasonally oriented Services, Retail Trade and Construction industries. Nonagricultural payroll jobs in these three sectors are expected to increase by about six thousand workers. As a result of these offsetting conditions,

unemployment is expected to be 4.9 per cent of the labor force in May 1987, compared to 4.7 per cent in April 1987 and 4.5 per cent in May 1986.

The continued influx of June graduates and other summer job seekers will swell the civilian labor force by about 10,000 and contribute to the Area's unemployment rate rising to 5.0 per cent or more in June 1987. Civilian employment as well as the number of Nonmanufacturing payroll jobs should rise sharply. The bulk of the new jobs will occur in Services, Retail Trade and Construction; however, Finance, Insurance and Real Estate and Wholesale Trade should also record increases. Employment in Manufacturing will remain depressed. Unemployment is expected to be 5.0 per cent of the labor force in June 1987, compared to 4.9 per cent in May 1987 and 4.6 per cent in June 1986.

Table 1. Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment
(Place of Work)
(Benchmark — March 1986)

Area and State: Kansas City, Missouri-Kansas **Month and Year of Current: April, 1987**

Item	Number of Jobs			Net Change To Current Month From:	
	Current Mo.	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
I	II	III	IV	V	VI
Total Nonagricultural Wage & Salaried Employment	718,200	714,300	714,100	+3,900	+4,100
Total Manufacturing	114,100	114,500	119,200	-400	-5,100
Durable Goods	62,400	62,700	67,700	-300	-5,300
Lumber & Furniture	3,600	3,600	3,400	0	+200
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	3,600	3,600	3,500	0	+100
Primary Metal Industries	3,700	3,700	3,900	0	-200
Fabricated Metal Products	8,800	8,900	9,100	-100	-300
Machinery Except Electrical	8,100	8,100	8,400	0	-300
Electrical Equipment & Supplies	17,300	17,600	20,000	-300	-2,700
Transportation Equipment	13,400	13,500	15,700	-100	-2,300
Motor Vehicles & Equipment	(13,000)	(13,100)	(15,400)	(-100)	(-2,400)
Other Durable Goods	3,700	3,700	3,600	0	+100
Nondurable Goods	51,700	51,800	51,500	-100	+200
Food & Kindred Products	9,200	9,100	9,100	+100	+100
Apparel & Other Textile Products	2,300	2,300	2,400	0	-100
Paper & Allied Products	6,000	5,900	5,500	+100	+500
Printing & Publishing	19,300	19,700	20,200	-400	-900
Chemicals & Allied Products	9,300	9,200	8,700	+100	+600
Petroleum & Coal Products	500	500	600	0	-100
Other Nondurable Goods	5,100	5,100	5,000	0	+100
Total Nonmanufacturing	604,100	599,800	594,900	+4,300	+9,200
Mining & Quarrying	600	500	500	+100	+100
Construction	35,200	34,400	34,300	+800	+900
Transportation, Comm. & Utilities	54,700	54,400	55,200	+300	-500
Wholesale & Retail Trade	180,300	179,100	179,300	+1,200	+1,000
Wholesale Trade	(55,100)	(55,200)	(55,300)	(-100)	(-200)
Retail Trade	(125,200)	(123,900)	(124,000)	(+1,300)	(+1,200)
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	57,000	57,000	55,300	0	+1,700
Services	164,000	162,500	160,600	+1,500	+3,400
Government	112,300	111,900	109,700	+400	+2,600
Federal Government	(31,600)	(31,400)	(30,500)	(+200)	(+1,100)
State & Local Government	(80,700)	(80,500)	(79,200)	(+200)	(+1,500)
In Labor-Management Disputes	0	100	100	-100	-100

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Table 2. Production Workers Average Hours and Earnings in Manufacturing

Area and State: Kansas City, Missouri-Kansas **Month and Year of Current Data: April, 1987**

Industry	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
Total Manufacturing	$446.40	$461.09	$446.71	40.0	40.2	40.1	$11.16	$11.47	$11.14
Durable Goods	459.82	490.04	479.99	39.2	40.2	40.2	11.73	12.19	11.94
Lumber & Furniture	317.59	308.44	270.56	40.1	38.1	35.6	7.92	7.97	7.60
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	479.18	455.11	450.84	35.6	35.5	41.9	13.46	12.82	10.76
Primary Metal Industries	446.22	403.68	465.79	40.9	34.8	37.9	10.91	11.60	12.29
Fabricated Metal Products	400.55	402.16	394.75	40.5	39.7	38.4	9.89	10.13	10.28
Machinery Exc. Electrical	432.52	435.80	408.88	44.0	42.6	38.0	9.83	10.23	10.76
Electrical Equip. & Supplies	466.87	482.36	418.04	39.2	40.5	38.6	11.91	11.91	10.83
Transportation Equipment	563.09	677.98	683.65	36.9	42.4	44.8	15.26	15.99	15.26
Motor Vehicles & Equipment	(572.98)	(689.00)	(691.01)	(36.8)	(42.4)	(44.9)	(15.57)	(16.25)	(15.39)
Other Durable Goods	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Nondurable Goods	426.21	418.72	391.23	41.1	40.3	39.8	10.37	10.39	9.83
Food & Kindred Products	463.54	415.66	398.61	43.2	39.7	43.0	10.73	10.47	9.27
Apparel & Other Textile Prod.	195.73	180.21	187.23	34.1	30.7	35.8	5.74	5.87	5.23
Paper & Allied Products	390.17	415.34	436.99	38.9	40.8	42.8	10.03	10.18	10.21
Printing & Publishing	453.10	460.62	406.83	40.6	41.2	38.2	11.16	11.18	10.65
Chemicals & Allied Products	549.88	536.36	445.81	43.4	42.4	37.4	12.67	12.65	11.92
Petroleum & Coal Products	433.20	426.73	450.10	37.9	37.4	35.0	11.43	11.41	12.86
Other Nondurable Goods	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

* This series excludes industry 2771.

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St. Louis Labor Market Review

The St. Louis Area includes the City of St. Louis, and St. Louis, St. Charles, Jefferson and Franklin Counties in Missouri; and Clinton, Madison, Monroe, St. Clair and Jersey Counties in Illinois. The 1980 population for the Area was stated as 2,376,998 persons by the U.S. Bureau of the Census.

April, 1987

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Area Labor Force Developments

The St. Louis MSA unemployment rate increased from 7.1% in March to 7.4% in April. Unemployment rose 4,000 while total employment increased 6,900. Slow economic growth cuppled with temporary layoffs in the area's auto industry had a significant impact on the St. Louis unemployment rate. Sales of some models of automobiles assembled in the metropolitan area have been lower than expected. During April 4,300 auto workers were placed on temporary layoff to reduce the inventory of unsold cars. Also during the month, 1000 auto workers have been on indefinite layoff since January and another 1800 are still affected by a model change over layoff that began at the end of 1986. Automobile employment stood at 14,800 in April, down significantly from the area's full production level of 22,000. Over the year, unemployment rose 11,700 and total employment increased 16,100. The unemployment rate in April, 1986 was 6.6%. Losses were again reported in manufacturing, construction, wholesale trae and government while retail trade, finance and services continued to be the area's major job creators. There were 100 labor disputants in April and March and 1800 in April, 1986.

Manufacturing

Manufacturing employment declined 4,700 over the month. Motor vehicle employment declined 4,100 due to the temporary inventory reduction layoff at one local assembly plant. The aircraft industry was down 100 as early retirement incentive programs continued to affect employment in this industry. Lumber and furniture, affected by declining construction and higher mortgage rates, also lost 100 jobs over the month. Small increases were reported in stone, primary metals, paper and printing.

Over the year, manufacturing employment is 10,700 lower. Motor vehicle employment has declined 7,100 over the past 12 months. Significant decreases continued in fabricated metals, nonelectrical machinery, printing and chemicals. Fabricated metals and machinery are affected by low capital expenditures in manufacturing and imports. Printing suffered from the loss of a major newspaper while chemicals continued to be affected by cost-cutting cutbacks and early retirements. Aircraft and food were the only two manufacturing industries to report gains over 1986 levels.

Nonmanufacturing

Nonmanufacturing employment rose 9,400 over the month. Seasonal gains were reported in construction, transportation, trade and services. Construction employment, although moving up toward its yearly summer peak, rose somewhat less than expected due to rising mortgage rates and the changed federal tax codes. Transportation employment gains occurred in trucking (+500) and airlines (+300). Seasonal travel and warm weather gains were reported in restaurants in retail trade and hotels and amusement in services. Over the year, nonmanufacturing has added 10,400 jobs. Service gains continued to be concentrated in hotels, business and medical services. All retail sectors are up except grocery stores which was affected by a major chain closing it's St. Louis area stores at the end of 1986. In transportation, the trucking industry is responsible for over 80% of the industries 1200 gain.

Unemployment Rate Outlook

The unemployment rate in May, 1987 is expected to be 7.1%.

Unemployment and Manpower Resources

The industry distribution of Missouri resident claimants is:

Industry	Jan.'87	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.
Mining	32	44	42	20
Construction	2443	3558	3236	2935
Manufacturing	7211	7684	5680	7757
Public Utilities	848	970	927	810
Wholesale & Retail Tr.	3333	4428	4202	3799
Finance	387	520	542	554
Services	3915	4871	4415	3786
All Other	537	778	617	459
TOTAL	18706	22853	19661	20120

The occupational distribution of the intrastate Missouri resident claimant is:

Occupation	Jan.'87	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.
Prof., Tech. & Mgr.	1605	1788	1754	1542
Clerical	2205	2782	2593	2405
Sales	726	911	765	661
Farm, Fish & Forest	206	290	195	111
Processing	238	305	293	217
Machine Trades	1099	1399	1210	1109
Bench Work	893	1071	950	892
Structural Work	2604	3166	2493	2190
Misc. Work	1937	2403	2030	1665
Service	1729	2324	2079	1770
INA	5464	6414	5299	7558
TOTAL	18706	22853	19661	20120

Available Job Oppportunties

The occupations percentage distribution of the openings received and filled during fiscal year 1987 by the Missouri State Employment Service is as follows:

Occupational Group	Openings Received Percent	Openings Filled Percent
Professional, Technical & Managerial	4.1	1.9
Clerical	17.6	14.3
Sales	16.0	19.0
Processing	1.2	1.3
Machine Trades	5.5	5.4
Bench Work	4.1	4.9
Structural Work	5.5	5.1
Motor Freight & Trans.	4.4	3.9
Packaging & Material Handling	11.7	16.0
Domestic	1.2	0.6
Other Services	26.7	25.6
Other Occupations	2.0	2.0

Table 1. Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment
(Place of Work)

Area and State: St. Louis, Mo.-Ill. Met. Area **Month and Year of Current: April, 1987**

Item	Number of Jobs			Net Change To Current Month From:	
	Current Mo.	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
I	II	III	IV	V	VI
Nonagricultural Wage & Salary, Total	1,093,000	1,088,300	1,093,300	+4,700	-300
Percent Change				+(0.4)	*
Manufacturing	212,800	217,500	223,500	-4,700	-10,700
Durable Goods	130,900	135,400	140,200	-4,500	-9,300
Lumber & Furniture	4,300	4,400	4,400	-100	-100
Stone, Clay & Glass	3,300	3,200	3,300	+100	0
Primary Metal Industries	13,400	13,300	13,500	+100	-100
Fabricated Metal Products	16,200	16,300	17,200	-100	-1,000
Machinery, Except Electrical	17,300	17,300	17,900	0	-600
Electrical & Electronic Equip.	14,100	14,100	14,400	0	-300
Transportation Equipment	49,800	54,300	56,900	-4,500	-7,100
Motor Vehicles	14,800	18,900	21,900	-4,100	-7,100
Aircraft & Parts	29,860	29,900	29,100	-100	+700
Instruments & Misc. Mfg.	12,500	12,500	12,600	0	-100
Nondurable Goods	81,900	82,100	83,300	-200	-1,400
Food & Kindred Products	22,400	22,500	21,900	-100	+500
Meat Products	1,000	1,000	1,000	0	0
Beverages	8,900	8,900	8,500	0	+400
Textiles & Apparel	6,500	6,600	6,500	-100	0
Paper & Paper Products	5,700	5,600	5,700	+100	0
Printing & Publishing	16,500	16,400	17,100	+100	-600
Chemical & Allied Products	18,500	18,600	19,300	-100	-800
Petroleum & Coal Products	2,500	2,500	2,700	0	-200
Leather & Leather Products	4,600	4,600	4,900	0	-300
Other Nondurable Goods	5,200	5,300	5,200	-100	0
Nonmanufacturing	880,200	870,800	869,800	+9,400	+10,400
Mining	3,400	3,400	3,600	0	-200
Construction	53,900	51,700	56,400	+2,200	-2,500
Transportation & Public Utilities	74,000	73,100	72,700	+900	+1,300
Railroads	4,300	4,300	4,600	0	-300
Transportation, Except Railroads	40,100	39,200	38,900	+900	+1,200
Communications & Public Utilities	29,600	29,600	29,200	0	+400
Wholesale & Retail Trade	258,000	255,900	256,500	+2,100	+1,500
Wholesale Trade	61,300	61,300	62,800	0	-1,500
Retail Trade	196,700	194,600	193,700	+2,100	+3,000
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	72,500	71,900	69,100	+600	+3,400
Service, Except Domestic	281,100	277,900	270,200	+3,200	+10,900
Total Government	137,300	136,900	141,300	+400	-4,000
Total Federal Government	37,500	37,000	37,200	+500	+300
Total State & Local Government	99,800	99,900	104,100	-100	-4,300
Persons Involved in Labor-Management Disputes	100	100	1,800	0	-1,700

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Table 2. Average Hours & Earnings of Production and Related Workers in Manufacturing

Area and State: St. Louis Metropolitan Area **Month and Year of Current Data: April, 1987**

Industry	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
Total Manufacturing	$461.30	$470.18	$461.76	40.5	41.1	40.9	$11.39	$11.44	$11.29
Durable Goods	482.10	495.75	490.39	41.1	41.8	41.7	11.73	11.86	11.76
Lumber & Furniture	352.40	337.31	351.34	40.0	38.2	39.3	8.81	8.83	8.94
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	386.63	452.38	433.01	37.5	41.2	39.4	10.31	10.98	10.99
Primary Metal Industries	481.38	465.96	447.58	42.6	44.0	41.1	11.30	10.59	10.89
Fabricated Metal Products	461.55	448.86	430.09	42.5	41.6	41.0	10.86	10.79	10.49
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	459.69	478.06	463.39	39.8	41.0	41.3	11.55	11.66	11.22
Elect & Electronic Equip.	385.13	397.40	419.87	39.5	39.9	43.6	9.75	9.96	9.63
Transportation Equipment	608.60	625.97	614.86	42.5	43.5	43.3	14.32	14.39	14.20
Instruments & Misc. Mfg.	296.24	306.06	302.29	36.8	37.6	37.0	8.05	8.14	8.17
Nondurable Goods	428.36	423.20	410.01	39.7	39.7	39.5	10.79	10.66	10.38
Food & Kindred Products	493.66	488.82	495.51	40.9	40.6	41.5	12.07	12.04	11.94
Textiles & Apparel	208.00	208.97	209.50	32.0	32.1	34.4	6.50	6.51	6.09
Paper & Paper Products	491.74	474.74	426.12	46.0	45.3	42.4	10.69	10.48	10.05
Printing & Publishing	401.44	399.92	387.98	37.8	37.8	38.0	10.62	10.58	10.21
Chemicals & Allied Prods.	527.48	515.37	484.57	42.3	41.9	41.1	12.47	12.30	11.79
Petroleum & Coal Products	620.74	603.84	591.02	41.3	40.8	41.1	15.03	14.80	14.38
Leather & Leather Products	257.09	262.83	190.57	41.2	43.3	33.2	6.24	6.07	5.74
Other Nondurable Goods	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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Springfield Labor Market Review

(Greene and Christian Counties)

April, 1987

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Civilian Labor Force, Employment and Unemployment

The Springfield MSA unemployment rate fell two-tenths of a percentage point in April in response to seasonal influences. The number of unemployed persons was down 200 from March to 5,400 in April. During the corresponding month of 1986, there were 5,600 unemployed workers and the rate of unemployment was calculated at 4.9 percent of the labor force.

Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment

Nonfarm payrolled employment increased 1,400 from March to reach 85,700 in April. While the number manufacturing jobs ticked up 100, most of the change can be accounted for in seasonal gains in construction (400), trade (400), services (200), finance, insurance and real estate (100) and transportation and utilities (100).

Since April 1986, total payrolled employment is up by 2,000 jobs. This is the net result of a 1,000 reduction in manufacturing employment and an increase of 3,000 jobs in nonmanufacturing industries.

Hours and Earnings

Average hourly earnings of manufacturing production and related workers fell 23 cents from March to $8.52 and April. The average factory work week rose two-tenths of an hour during the month to reach 38.9 hours in April.

Employment and Unemployment Outlook

Payrolled employment will inch upward seasonally during May. Job gains in construction, trade and services should occur during the 30 day period.

A slight drop in unemployment is expected in May with a possible rate of 4.3 percent.

Table 1. Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment

(Place of Work)

(Benchmark — March, 1986)

Area and State: Springfield, Missouri **Month and Year of Current: April, 1987**

Item	Number of Jobs			Net Change To Current Month From:	
	Current Mo.	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
I	II	III	IV	V	VI
Total Nonag. Wage & Salary, Employment (Exc. Domestics)	104,800	103,400	102,800	+1,400	+2,000
Manufacturing	19,100	19,000	20,100	+100	-1,000
Durable Goods	10,000	9,900	10,200	+100	-200
Lumber & Wood (Inc. Furn.)	1,100	1,100	1,100	0	0
Other Durable Goods	8,900	8,800	9,100	+100	-200
Nondurable Goods	9,100	9,100	9,900	0	-800
Food Processing	4,100	4,100	4,200	0	-100
Printing & Publishing	1,700	1,600	1,700	+100	0
Other Nondurable Goods	3,300	3,400	4,000	-100	-700
Nonmanufacturing	85,700	84,400	82,700	+1,300	+3,000
Mining	100	100	100	0	0
Construction	4,500	4,100	4,300	+400	+200
Transportation & Utilities	6,500	6,400	6,400	+100	+100
Trade	28,500	28,100	27,500	+400	+1,000
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	5,300	5,100	5,200	+200	+100
Services	27,000	26,800	26,100	+200	+900
Government	13,800	13,800	13,100	0	+700
Federal	1,800	1,800	1,800	0	0
State and Local	12,000	12,000	11,300	0	+700
Persons Involved in Labor-Management Disputes	400	400	0	0	+400

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Table 2. Gross Average Hours and Earnings for Production and Related Workers in Manufacturing Industries

Area and State: Springfield, Missouri **Month and Year of Current Data: April, 1987**

Industry	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
Total Manufacturing	$331.43	$347.38	$365.89	38.9	39.7	40.7	$8.52	$8.75	$8.99
Durable Goods	322.04	337.50	347.24	38.8	39.8	40.9	8.30	8.48	8.49
Nondurable Goods	344.37	360.36	388.24	39.0	39.6	40.4	8.83	9.10	9.61
Food & Kindred Products	374.52	376.91	445.36	39.8	39.8	42.7	9.41	9.47	10.43
Other Nondurable Goods	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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